

EXTENSIONS OF REMARKS

COMMENDING THE ANN ARBOR
HURON HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC DE-
PARTMENT

HON. J. DENNIS HASTERT

OF ILLINOIS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. HASTERT. Mr. Speaker, today I commend the Ann Arbor Huron High School Music Department for being named as a Grammy Award Signature School. Their hard work and commitment to excellence has made this achievement possible and it brings me great pleasure to have the opportunity to share this day with them.

As a former member of the Ann Arbor School Board, I know the special significance of such an achievement for a high school music program and I look forward to future accomplishments from the department.

TRIBUTE TO COLONEL EDWARD
OWSLEY

HON. JO ANN EMERSON

OF MISSOURI

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mrs. EMERSON. Mr. Speaker, it is with pleasure that I rise to honor a very special constituent on his day of retirement. Colonel Edward Owsley, a native of Missouri, is retiring after 10 years on the Rolla City Council. I have known Colonel Ed for twenty years and he has been a great inspiration to me as well as the city of Rolla. Colonel Ed has been a true leader for the City of Rolla, always searching for new opportunities and challenges. He has served on the service academy review board for both Bill and me, and has served as chairman of this group for the last 10 years. He has done a remarkable job in helping me select the finest individuals to serve our country in the service academies. Ed's love of the military has made him a tremendous resource for Rolla and the surrounding area in his official duties as liaison to Fort Leonard Wood and the U.S. Army. He is over 80 years old, yet he continues to remain on the cutting edge of knowledge about his community and Fort Leonard Wood.

At the age of 18, Colonel Owsley joined Company I, 138th Infantry, Missouri National Guard and was First Sergeant of the Company when it was called to active duty on December 23, 1940. He served overseas during World War II as Second Lieutenant of Infantry on various troop and staff assignments in the Far East Campaigns. After he returned from the war, he served at Headquarters, Seventh Corps Area, Omaha, Nebraska as Executive for U.S. Army Recruiting for a five state area. He was promoted in 1948 to Lt. Colonel and

assigned to the Missouri Military District as Deputy for recruiting, and Field Representative to the Selective Service System. He served at Fort Leonard Wood as the Assistant Chief of Staff during the Korean build-up and was promoted to Colonel. After serving in the Pentagon, Colonel Ed returned to Fort Leonard Wood for his final years of service.

In addition to serving his country, this dedicated man has served Rolla, Missouri in so many ways, since he retired the U.S. Army in 1966. After serving as the Executive Director for the Rolla Area Chamber of Commerce from 1967 to 1989, he helped form the Rolla Community Development Corporation. This non-profit organization aims at providing jobs and industrial development opportunities for the area. Col. Owsley still serves the RCDC as treasurer. While the City Council will miss Col. Ed, I doubt he is truly retiring. In his first 85-plus years, he has brought so much to those who have crossed his path. With his outgoing spirit and enthusiasm for life, I am sure he will continue to serve his community as long as he is able.

IN RECOGNITION OF THE HON-
OREES OF THE 2000 ANNUAL
BROTHERHOOD AWARDS DINNER

HON. ROBERT MENENDEZ

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. MENENDEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I recognize the honorees of the 2000 Annual Brotherhood Awards Dinner. The National Conference for Community and Justice (NCCJ) has selected Alan J. Apfelbaum, James Jackson and Dr. Patricia L. McGeehan for their outstanding contributions to the promotion of understanding and respect among all races and religions.

These three exceptional individuals have demonstrated a dedication to community that transcends our simple desire to belong. They not only promote tolerance, but embrace diversity, and that is why they are being honored by NCCJ this year; they understand and exemplify American ideals—the very ideals that make our nation great.

With tremendous compassion and selfless determination Alan Apfelbaum, James Jackson, and Dr. Patricia McGeehan have shown the degree of compassion and guidance that ensures a better future for their communities, a better future for America's communities.

I ask that my colleagues join me in recognizing the 2000 Annual Brotherhood Awards Dinner Honorees as well—they are truly great community leaders.

CHINESE INTENTIONS

HON. BOB SCHAFFER

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. SCHAFFER. Mr. Speaker, recently the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) released an unclassified report concerning Chinese espionage activities against the United States. The report is very insightful and I therefore urge every Member to read the report.

Additionally, I have received the CIA's classified briefing concerning Chinese espionage operations. Needless to say, the briefing was more detailed about the activities of our "most favored" trading partner. The classified briefing not only solidified my opinion that we need to do more to dissuade the Chinese government from acting against our country, but gave me at least thirteen more reasons to continue advancing my opinion toward developing a national missile defense capability for the United States.

Mr. Speaker, I have sought clarity to the unclassified report and the unaddressed issues of the report. Those points, are outlined in a letter addressed to CIA Director George Tenet, which I hereby submit for the RECORD.

April 27, 2000.

GEORGE TENET, Director,
Central Intelligence Agency,
Attention: Public Affairs,
Washington, DC.

DEAR MR. TENET: Please consider my concerns on the joint CIA/FBI Report to Congress on Chinese Espionage Activities Against the United States, unclassified version. The report omits pertinent items that would otherwise clarify the issue of Communist Chinese espionage, propaganda, and penetration of U.S. political affairs, government, and armed forces. Rather than leading the reader to an understanding of the threat and purpose behind Communist China's acts of espionage against the United States, the report fails to interrelate Communist China's intelligence operations, military build up, and political opportunism.

One of the chief roles of intelligence is to provide information to a country engaged in or about to engage in war. In view of the remarkable penetration by the Communist Chinese People's Liberation Army (PLA) of U.S. military capabilities, the wholesale theft of advanced U.S. technology by the PLA, and the burgeoning interference of Communist Chinese agents with U.S. political affairs, it must be stated that Communist China is engaged in undeclared war against the United States. There is no other purpose for the magnitude and focus of Communist Chinese espionage against the United States.

One of the classical uses of espionage and networks of spies, agents, saboteurs, and "friends" is to provide a "fifth column" attacking the will and sensibility of an opponent. Adolph Hitler demonstrated the effectiveness of "fifth column" elements in his

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overthrow of Czechoslovakia in 1938. Such is the activity of Communist China inside the United States today. Indeed, classical military strategy would call for directed efforts at breaking the will of an opponent, regardless of the means. The report would do well to note this.

The driving force and purpose behind Communist China's espionage against the United States has been stated by Communist China. In 1999 Communist China's Defense Minister, General Chi Haotian, stated that war with the United States "is inevitable." The doctrine of the Communist Chinese PLA plans for war against the United States as a threat to Communist Chinese hegemony in the Far East and a threat to the oppressive nature of Communist China's regime which rules by brutality and the repression of human freedom. The report would do well to note this, and is striking for its paucity of references and omission of Communist Chinese thinking.

One of the lessons learned by Communist China from the 1991 Persian Gulf War was the effectiveness of advanced military technology. Following the 1991 Persian Gulf War, Communist China began to aggressively acquire Western and U.S. military technology wholesale, whether by theft, trade, or espionage, noted in the report. "Chinese attempts to obtain U.S. military and military-related technology—reflecting recognition of the overwhelming technological superiority enjoyed by the Western alliance in the Gulf War and Kosovo—have increased since the early 1990s."

What would have been helpful in such a report, however, is an explanation of the relationship between Communist Chinese espionage and intelligence operations, Communist China's efforts to "ascend the technology ladder," and the modernization program of the Communist Chinese PLA focused on the acquisition of a U.S.-type military replete with a blue water Navy and air power projection capabilities, and the rapid, aggressive acquisition and development of advanced ballistic missile technology, nuclear weapons, and manned space operations. The driving force behind Communist China's economic modernization is the PLA, seeking to acquire advanced military weapons. The report should note this, and could prove helpful by including a description of the PLA's military modernization program, a link with DIA (Defense Intelligence Agency) may be appropriate on this point.

Intelligence is a key adjunct to successful military operations. Noting the acquisition by Communist China of a global space tracking network, including its ship-based satellite tracking systems, the agreement of the Republic of Kiribati to let Communist China use the island of Tarawa for satellite tracking would be helpful. The report would also be helpful in providing information on Communist Chinese plans to establishing an intelligence gathering station in Cuba, and in the Bahamas, both close to home, and impinging upon our space program based at Cape Canaveral. An update would also be appropriate on Communist Chinese activity in Panama, which affects U.S. economic interests in the Panama Canal, and in the control of drug trafficking and regional stability.

The report would provide valuable information by noting specific examples and activities of Communist Chinese companies and "front operations" such as Cosco, which serve as conduits for Communist Chinese espionage. In particular, Communist Chinese activity in California should be revealed, especially in regard to their purchase or leasing

of commercial property for trade (ports, warehouses, and airports). The magnitude of the Communist Chinese penetration of the United States needs clear explanation even beyond the classified version of the report which I have read. It needs to be understood. The contents of the report need to be expanded and brought to light so that the American people can see and understand the magnitude, comprehensiveness, and diffuseness of Communist Chinese intelligence operations against the U.S.

On March 9, The Washington Times said of the report that "professional military and civilian intelligence officers play a small part in the China's spying efforts" (Bill Gertz, "China Boosts Spy Presence in U.S., CIA, FBI Report"). This needs further explanation. In addition, the United States has adopted a policy of giving away advanced military training and tactics to the PLA. These military contacts need to be delineated and described to Congress and the American people. The American people need to understand the closeness of the PLA in grasping and being able to combat U.S. military doctrine and tactics.

The report would also provide valuable background information describing Communist China's acquisition of new territory in Southeast Asia: Communist China's forcible takeover of the Parcel Islands in 1974; Communist China's forcible expulsion of the Philippines from Mischief Reef in the Spratly Islands in 1995; Communist China's propaganda against Taiwan, and its territorial claims for the Natuna Island oil and gas reserves owned by Indonesia are aspects of Communist Chinese belligerence that beg for description. It is also worth noting the military weakness of the many nations in Southeast Asia compared to Communist China.

I am encouraged that the report describes Communist Chinese intelligence operations against the United States. I am anxious to hear of recommendations from the CIA and FBI on the steps Congress should take to combat and defeat Communist China's intelligence, espionage, and propaganda campaign against the United States.

I look forward to your response. Thank you for your kind attention to this matter.

CENTRAL NEW JERSEY CONGRATULATES TIMOTHY COPELAND, EWING KIWANIS POLICE OFFICER OF THE YEAR

HON. RUSH D. HOLT

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. HOLT. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize Timothy Copeland of Ewing Township, who is being honored by the Ewing Kiwanis Club as the Police Officer of the Year on Tuesday, May 16, 2000.

This award is bestowed upon him by his peers in recognition of his constant willingness to go above and beyond the call of duty.

In March of 1993, Officer Copeland began his employment with the Ewing Police Department and graduated from the Trenton Police Academy Basic Training Course in August of 1993.

After being sworn into office, Officer Copeland was assigned to the Patrol Division where he rose to become a Field Training Of-

ficer. Officer Copeland is also a mentor for the D.A.R.E. student education program. He has excelled with many letters of commendation for his outstanding work as an officer.

Mr. Speaker, Officer Timothy Copeland is a great example for Central New Jersey. I ask all my colleagues to join me in recognizing him.

MICHAEL R. BRENTANO

HON. BOB BARR

OF GEORGIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. BARR of Georgia. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to commend Michael R. Brentano, a court reporter from Georgia, on his appointment this July as the 92nd President of the National Court Reporters Association. The NCRA, a professional organization founded in 1899, represents over 38,000 court reporters from around the world.

For those of us who know Mike, this announcement is welcome, but hardly surprising. Throughout his professional life, he has consistently created new opportunities for himself, his employees, his customers, his profession, and our judicial system.

Following his graduation from Emory University in Atlanta, Mike trained to become a court reporter, and began working for Judge Harold Murphy in the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of Georgia. A few years later, he became a freelance reporter for Brentano Reporters, where he serves as Vice President and General Manager today.

Mike and his wife, Judy, have played an invaluable role in pioneering new reporting technologies and methods, that have led their profession into the 21st century. Under the leadership of Mike, Judy, and others, many court reporters have moved beyond their traditional role as recorders of events, and become all-purpose support systems for litigation and other public events. For example, he has become an expert in real-time reporting, advanced litigation support, and data retrieval.

Mike's service to his community goes far beyond the walls of the courtroom. He has testified in the Legislature about his profession, and has supported the State Bar of Georgia pro bono reporting program.

Based on his many past achievements, and his great prospects for more successes in the future, I join court reporters around America in saluting Mike on his appointment as President of the National Court Reporters Association.

IN SUPPORT OF NATIONAL TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

HON. MICHAEL E. CAPUANO

OF MASSACHUSETTS

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, May 11, 2000

Mr. CAPUANO. Mr. Speaker, in honor of National Teacher Appreciation Week I pay tribute to some of the outstanding teachers that serve in the Eighth Congressional District of Massachusetts.